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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58481

Yoshiki TAKASHIMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/537,416

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 6832

Examiner: Irene Marx

Filed: March 29, 2000

For: METHODS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO ACIDS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on October 28, 2003. This is not intended to be the response to the Office Action dated November 12, 2003. Applicants reserve the right to respond under separate cover.

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the Office Action dated November 12, 2003.

The interview was initiated by the Examiner. Therefore, no further recordation by the Applicant is believed to be required.

During the interview, the following was discussed: the preamble and whereby clauses of the claims

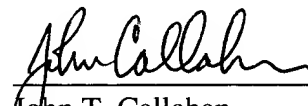
1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: none
2. Identification of claims discussed: all

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3. Identification of art discussed: none
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: none
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: none
6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: none
7. Results of Interview: no agreement

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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